



McCabe Regional Recreation Community Center participated in the Stacked Box Mural Project.

Community Partnerships

A mutually beneficial partnership (coordinated through **Centennial Art Center**) involves the **Frist Center for the Visual Arts "Art Trunk" Community Outreach Program**. Metro Parks' Community Centers are supplied with "Art Trunks" – educational kits with different themes designed to enrich the appreciation and understanding of present and past Frist Center exhibitions. Kits include reproductions of artwork and guided lesson plans for all ages. The Frist Center provides training for Metro Parks' staff that conducts the programs and accompanies their students to the Frist Center to see the works they have studied.

Throughout the years, Metro Parks' Cultural Arts division has won national and regional awards for its programs, and received grants from organizations that enable Divisions within Metro Parks to collaborate – tying in visual arts activities with educational and recreational offerings.



CAC Gallery is ready for a gallery opening.

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Gallery openings are sponsored by Cabot cheese



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CENTENNIAL ART CENTER



VISUAL ARTS CLASSES & ART GALLERY

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



HERB GARDEN COURTYARD

301 25th Avenue North
Nashville, Tennessee 37203
(located in Centennial Park)

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History

Metro Parks' **Centennial Art Center (CAC)** is a Historic Building located at 301 25th Avenue North, Nashville 37201, in Nashville Tennessee's beautiful Centennial Park. It is part of the larger Cultural Arts Division of Metro Parks offering the Visual Arts.

The facility was originally built as a swimming complex in 1932; it closed in 1959 and was renovated in 1971. As the first Metro Nashville owned structure rehabilitated for "Adaptive Re-use," it earned Museum Status by reopening as *Centennial Art Center* – a gallery and visual arts teaching facility.

Centennial Park has become our Cultural Arts Park with the **Parthenon** in the center of the park, **CAC** in the North East corner of the park and **CAAC**, Metro Parks' Centennial Arts Activity Center for the performing arts, in the South West corner of the park.

Walled Courtyard & Event Rental

Monday through Thursday from 9am-5pm the walled-in courtyard behind CAC is free and open to the public. The courtyard is furnished with umbrella tables and chairs. The Herb Society of Nashville maintains a beautiful Herb Garden surrounding our fountains making this a wonderful place to hold events in Centennial Park. We rent the facility for private events such as outside weddings and ceremonies.

Call (615) 862-8442 for rental information.



CAC Courtyard is the perfect venue to host your next outdoor special event.



CAC Gallery features local and regional artists in bi-monthly art exhibits.

Gallery

Centennial Art Center's Gallery hosts six Gallery Shows annually. These shows take place on Friday evenings from 5:00pm-7:00pm. and are free and open to the public. Refreshments are served while featuring works by numerous professional and emerging local and regional artists. Be sure to check our Gallery Schedule at www.nashville.gov/cac.

Our gallery openings are co-sponsored by Cabot Creamery, & our friends' group Arts in the Parks.

To join Arts in the Parks, call (615) 862-8442 or E-mail: Brenda.McSurley@nashville.gov



Wanda Ellis, Pottery Instructor, demonstrates how to throw a bowl on the potter's wheel.

Visual Art Classes

Centennial Art Center offers popular, affordable, painting and pottery studio classes. CAC has well-lit painting and pottery studios. All of our Specialized Skilled Instructors are professional artists in their own right. Our most popular art classes include drawing, painting, pottery, and sculpture.

Many local area artists "got started" through Metro Parks' Centennial Art Center classes and both past and current students consistently win awards in juried exhibitions.



Painting students can take a variety of classes including acrylic, abstract and water media.